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PRESIDING OFFICER'S  
RULING NO. R97-1/16

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R97-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING GRANTING  
UPS MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO SEEK PRODUCTION OF PMPC CONTRACT

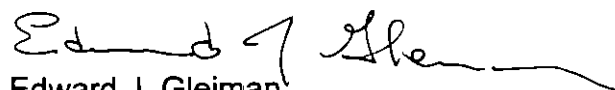
(September 11, 1997)

In response to the deadline established in Ruling No. 12 in this docket, United Parcel Service filed a motion on September 8 for an indefinite extension of time in which to submit a motion to compel the Postal Service to produce a more complete version of the PMPC contract, originally requested in interrogatories UPS/USPS-T33-1(c) and T33-2(a)-(c), which was filed by the Service in redacted form as its library reference LR-H-235 on August 28. UPS states that the redacted version of the contract lacks certain information UPS seeks to discover, but believes that there is a reasonable likelihood that the information may be disclosed in response to narrowly-tailored interrogatories and further consultations with Postal Service counsel. Pending these efforts, which may obviate the need for a further ruling, UPS requests an indefinite extension of the deadline for filing an additional motion. UPS further states that counsel for the Postal Service has been consulted, and has no objection to the requested extension.

In light of the apparent prospects for an informal resolution of this controversy, I shall grant the UPS motion.

RULING

The Motion of United Parcel Service for Extension of Time to Seek Production of PMPC Contract, filed September 8, 1997, is granted.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edward J. Gleiman", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Edward J. Gleiman  
Presiding Officer